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 For : **METHOD FOR ELIMINATING DEFECTS IN  
 SILICON ELEMENTS THROUGH  
 SELECTIVE ETCHING**

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**RESPONSE TO MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
 UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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